

# COMMITTEE REPORT

## MADAM PRESIDENT:

**The Senate Committee on Appropriations, to which was referred House Bill No. 1666, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:**

- 1           Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new
- 2           paragraph and insert:
- 3           "SECTION 1. IC 15-6-4-16 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 4           FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 16. The board shall do
- 5           the following:
- 6           (1) Elect from among the board's members a chairperson, vice
- 7           chairperson, secretary, treasurer, and other officers the board
- 8           considers necessary.
- 9           (2) Employ personnel and contract for services that are necessary
- 10          for the proper implementation of this chapter.
- 11          (3) Establish accounts in adequately protected financial
- 12          institutions to receive, hold, and disburse funds accumulated under
- 13          this chapter.
- 14          (4) Bond the treasurer and other persons as necessary to ensure
- 15          adequate protection of funds received and administered by the
- 16          board.
- 17          (5) Authorize the expenditure of funds and the contracting of
- 18          expenditures to conduct proper activities under this chapter.
- 19          (6) Annually establish priorities and prepare and approve a budget
- 20          consistent with the estimated resources of the board and the scope

- 1 of this chapter.
- 2 (7) Provide for an independent audit, **provide the results of the**
- 3 **audit to the state board of accounts and the department of**
- 4 **agriculture**, and make the results of the audit available to all
- 5 interested persons.
- 6 (8) Procure and evaluate data and information necessary for the
- 7 proper implementation of this chapter.
- 8 (9) Formulate and execute assessment procedures and methods of
- 9 collection.
- 10 (10) Establish procedures to annually inform all producers
- 11 regarding board members, policy, expenditures, and programs for
- 12 the preceding year.
- 13 (11) Receive and investigate, or cause to be investigated,
- 14 complaints and violations of this chapter and take necessary action
- 15 within its authority.
- 16 (12) Take any other action necessary for the proper
- 17 implementation of this chapter, including the adoption of rules
- 18 under IC 4-22-2.".
- 19 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.
- (Reference is to HB 1666 as printed February 15, 2005.)

**and when so amended that said bill do pass.**

Committee Vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0.

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Chairperson